

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

WILLIAM R. BRANCH,

Plaintiff

v.

MR. RUSSIAN, et al.,

Defendants

**: CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:00-CV-
1728**

: (Judge Conner)

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ORDER

AND NOW, this 14th day of January, 2005, upon consideration of the motion to continue trial in the above-captioned case (Doc. 221), currently scheduled to commence on January 31, 2005 (Doc. 218), and it appearing that the pendency of a dispositive motion (Doc. 129) and of continuing settlement discussions (Docs. 221, 222) constitute exceptional circumstances and good cause for a continuance of trial, see FED. R. CIV. P. 16, it is hereby ORDERED that the motion to continue (Doc. 221) is GRANTED. Trial in the above-captioned case is POSTPONED indefinitely pending resolution of the motion for summary judgment (Doc. 129) and further order of court.

S/ Christopher C. Conner
CHRISTOPHER C. CONNER
United States District Judge